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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

2013 is going to be an exciting year for CFBC and the Technology & Media Ministry! Our biggest bit of news so far is the addition of the Spanish 11:00am service to the main Worship Center...and welcoming our new Spanish-speaking crew members to our Media Team! This move not only broadens our abilities and staffing for services and special events, but it also brings with it a lot of new changes for our service crew schedule:

CREW ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

The following positions will work both the 9:30am English service and 11:00am Spanish service:

Cameras (all)

Lighting

Spot Ops (all)

Shader

PTZ/Tape Op

Clips

IMAG Technical Director

Stage Manager

Audio (FOH, Monitors & A4V)

These changes mean that if you are scheduled for one of these positions, you must be available to work BOTH services. Please do not accept a crew request for one of these positions if you cannot work both services. ("Camera" operators will no longer work the student service in "The Lodge" during the 11:00am hour...they will continue

through to the Spanish service.)

TELEPROMPT & LYRICS:

Crew members working the "Teleprompt" and "Lyrics" positions during the 9:30am English service will move the chapel for the 11:00am Chapel service. A separate Spanish-speaking crew member will be scheduled for the 11:00am Spanish service "Lyrics" position (there will not be a Teleprompt operator for the Spanish service).

IMAG DIRECTOR:

There will be separate "IMAG Director" positions for the English & Spanish services. The "IMAG Director" position for the 11:00am Spanish service only needs to attend the 8:00am Spanish rehearsal.

NEW POSITION:

A separate "Pastor Power Point" crew position has been added for the 11:00am Spanish Service. This position will be staffed by a Spanish-speaking crew member.

STAGE MANAGERS:

2013 will see the addition of a second "Stage Manager" position to the Sunday crew roster. Both crew members will work the 9:30am English and the 11:00am Spanish services. We will no longer have a "Stage Manager" position for the 11:00am Chapel service.

REHEARSALS:

All crew members working both services will need to be at their assigned positions ready for rehearsal by 7:00am each Sunday. The 9:30am English rehearsal will run from 7:00-8:00am followed by both the 11:00am Chapel and Spanish rehearsals from 8:00-9:00am. Spanish-speaking crew members for the "Lyrics" and "Pastor Power Point" positions only need to attend the 8:00am Spanish rehearsal.

PLANNING CENTER REQUESTS:

When you are scheduled for a crew position on Sunday, you will now receive multiple requests...one for each of the services you will work (9:30 English, 11:00 Chapel and 11:00 Spanish). Please make sure to "ACCEPT" or "DECLINE" both requests.

TRAINING FOR SPANISH-SPEAKING CREW MEMBERS:

"Lyrics," "Clips," "Cameras" and "Stage Manager" positions will not need separate training time for their new positions in the main Worship center...you will be trained during rehearsal on the first Sunday you are scheduled. For those Spanish-speaking crew members who work the "Shader" or "Technical Director" positions, you will be scheduled for training sessions in the upcoming weeks. If any Spanish-speaking crew members are interested in training for the "Spotlight" or "PTZ Camera" (remote-controlled camera) positions, please contact Josh Harbour to set-up training.



As the New Year begins, visions of last month's advent season are still lingering. Christmas is that wonderful time of the year where most of the world joins in exchanging gifts with loved ones, decorating with lights, hearing festive carols, feasting on decadent desserts, focusing on family, and of course remembering the greatest gift of all: Immanuel (God with us). This season, more people spend time in church and helping others than any other time of the year. It is a wonderful way to end a long year. [Read More...](#)



As a member of the CFBC Media Crew, one of your primary pathways to connect with God may be through serving the Church through technical ministry. Many of us don't do very well sitting in church like a "normal" person. But when we use the gifts and talents God has given us, we are fulfilled, encouraged, energized, and blessed – except for those days when we're not.

As great as it is to serve the Lord, there's a lurking danger to serving on the Media Crew – the danger of disengagement. Disengagement is when you are doing the tasks and going through the motions needed to make a worship service happen, but the content and heart of that service never penetrates your own heart. The very Gospel you are helping proclaim to the many, fails to impact the one – you.

The battle to fight disengagement is not a one-time event. It's on-going, ever-changing,

and must constantly be evaluated. Possible symptoms to help you determine if you may be disengaged:

- On your drive home after church, can you remember the key concept of the message?
- After church, can you remember the songs that were lifted up in worship? Did you have a moment where you praised God during worship?
- When you reflect on the service, do you remember the mistakes more than what went right?
- Did you, personally, talk to the Lord – even once – in the service that just finished?
- Overall, did you have joy while you served?
- Overall, were you energized or drained by what you did?

Anyone who's served the Lord in a church for any length of time will have at least one of these questions resonate with their soul at some point. However, the danger of disengagement is looming very closely when you start having less than favorable answers to more than two of those questions.

So is there a remedy or are people who serve the Lord in a church simply doomed?

1. PURE MOTIVES

Isaiah 64:6 says all our righteous works are like filthy rags. We must never serve the Lord with a motive of trying to off-set the things we have done wrong. We want to serve the Lord out of a grateful heart because of all Jesus has done for us on the cross. We want to serve the Lord in obedience to Christ's command to make disciples. The second we fall into the trap of working to get on God's good side, we are placing ourselves in a position to fail.

2. PERSONAL WORSHIP

As servants of God, we have a responsibility to feed ourselves by reading and obeying God's Word. We have a responsibility to realign our heart to God's will through prayer and confession. It's our responsibility to engage deeply in worship. When we take responsibility for these areas of our walk with God, we're filled up prior to serving on the weekend. We're able to serve out of the overflow of what God is already doing in our lives.

3. A SOFT HEART

We have to actively pursue a soft and pliable heart. If our heart is hard toward the things of God, no worship service will be able to penetrate that shell of cynicism and sarcasm.

4. SERVE IN YOUR UNIQUE ABILITY

Many times we're serving in areas because there is a need. For example, what if a CFBC Media Crew member has learned that running Teleprompter is something they have the technical skill to do, but God has not given them the focus to do it well. But, operating a camera is exactly within their unique ability. They do it naturally, without even thinking about it. When you serve in your unique ability, you are energized, not drained by what you do. Disengagement can come simply because you are serving in the wrong capacity. Take steps to move the majority of your worship service activities into the realm of unique ability.

5. TAKE A WEEK OFF

If you're a volunteer, you should never allow yourself to be scheduled every week. This is a sure formula for disengagement followed very closely by burn out. Remember, you are responsible to make yourself available for the long-haul, so don't allow anyone to move you towards an every week volunteer role. The danger of disengagement is amplified by the fact that Sunday comes every week. It can be relentless. But, if you schedule a weekend off every couple of months, you can break up that huge marathon into some manageable sprints.

The danger of disengagement is real and can devolve a passionate servant into a cynical, spiritually dead, hard-hearted hired hand that has wistful memories of shepherding the Lord's sheep.



PLANNING CENTER TIPS

"Scheduled" Viewer vs "Viewer" By default, a Media Crew member at CFBC is designated a "Scheduled Viewer" in Planning enter. This designation means you only have the ability to see services and plans for which you are scheduled. This default setting is used as it makes your viewing experience and usability within Planning Center much more streamlined and organized. However, many of our media volunteers like to be able to see all of the services scheduled, regardless of their own, individual crew assignments. This is the basic "viewer" designation. It allows you to see all services scheduled within the church.

If you would like to have your settings changed to "Viewer" mode so you can see all services scheduled, please contact [Josh Harbour](#) for assistance. However, please remember to always check your personal "Schedule" in Planning Center so you know which services you are scheduled for.

MEDIA CREW TIPS

ProPresenter Shortcuts: ProPresenter has many helpful shortcuts programmed into the

user interface, which can make your operation of the software much more intuitive:

- **"Clear All"**- Using the "F1" key on the keyboard will automatically clear all media content from the output screen.
 - **"Clear Lyrics"**- Using the "F2" key on the keyboard will automatically clear all lyrics from the output screen, but leave any backgrounds playing.
 - **"Clear Backgrounds"**- Using the "F3" key on the keyboard will automatically clear all backgrounds from the output screen, but leave any lyrics showing.
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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 3 - Helen Eckle's Birthday

January 11 - Chris Todd's Birthday

January 13 - Houston Mass Choir (Crew Needed)

January 14 - Jane Kimerling's Birthday

January 19 - MLK Legacy Luncheon

January 27 - Membership Class

January 28 - David Laney's Birthday

January 31 - Bob Gibben's Birthday

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